WILLIAM AND ANNIE PRICE DAYBELL

William Daybell was born February 24, 1858 at Derbyshire, England, a son of Finity and Mary Draper Daybell. Married Annie Price on November 12, 1877 at Heber City. Annie Price was born June 21, 1858 at Ludlow Shropshire, England, the daughter of James and Ann Price. William died November 29, 1945. Annie died at Heber City February 14, 1920.

When William was six years old, his family emigrated to the United States. Their

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party landed at New Orleans and came directly to Utah, arriving at Charleston December 24, 1864.

William grew to manhood on his father's farm. He later engaged in the dairy business and was successful in both undertakings.

It was after his marriage that William labored as a missionary in Tennessee, from May, 1885 to November, 1887. He was Superintendent of the Sunday School for thirteen years and for twenty-five years an officer in the Sunday School. He was a member of the High Council for ten years and on Feb. 10, 1901 was set apart as Bishop of the Charleston Ward. He was also active in civic work as a County Commissioner for two years, trustee of the Charleston School Board, President of the canal company, road supervisor, stockholder and director of the Charleston Co-op. He was, for the last twenty-six years of his life, Patriarch of the Wasatch Stake.

Annie Daybell held numerous positions in the church, working in the Young Ladies Mutual Improvement Association, Relief Society, and serving as President of the Primary Association in the Charleston Ward. In her later years she was called on to take care of the dead, which she did for nineteen years. There were no morticians in the valley then, and she helped dress and lay away sixty-seven people. She was a temple worker all her life.

They were the parents of 11 children: John William, Mary Ann, James Finity, Phebe E., Joseph Franklin, Myrtle, Violet B., Lula, Ernest, Warren. 1026

BISHOPS OF THE CHARLESTON WARD





Nymphas C. Murdock



William Daybell



John M. Ritchie



Wayne Whiting



H. Fred Price



Eldon D. Wright

By 1877 the leaders of the Wasatch Stake had determined that Charleston and other communities should be organized into wards, and so a special conference was called in Heber City at which Apostles John Taylor and Franklin D. Richards from Salt Lake presided. President Abram Hatch of Wasatch Stake, with his counselors Thomas H. Giles and Henry S. Alexander, assisted in organizing six wards in the stake. Nymphus C. Murdock was called to be the first bishop of the Charleston Ward. Chosen as his counselors were Enoch Richins and Edward Buys. He served for 24 years, during which time he was loved and respected by all ward members. Many were benefitted by his willingness to loan money, particularly to help bring members of the Church from foreign lands to settle in Zion. He often told his people at the pulpit "All I have belongs to the Lord. I am willing at any time to give my all." He discouraged extravagence, and continually preached "Not what we want, but what is needful."

Bishop Murdock served until 1901. Those who were his counselors included Enoch Richins, Edward Buys, George Smith, Joseph R. Murdock and John M. Ritchie. Clerks were Joseph Royal Murdock, John M. Ritchie and John Fowers.

William Daybell was called as second bishop of the ward on Feb. 17, 1901, and chose as his counselors John M. Ritchie and George Price.